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MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRAINING

SUBJECT

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I. I HAVE READ THE ATTACHED HISTORY, AS WELL AS SEVERAL OTHER STAFF OFFICERS HERE, AND FIND IT WELL DONE AND QUITE INTERESTING. UNFORTUNATELY, NONE OF US HERE WERE SUFFICIENTLY ACQUAINTED WITH OTR DURING THE PERIOD IN QUESTION TO COMMENT WITH AUTHORITY ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE HISTORY. IT DOES SEEM TO ME, HOWEVER, THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF A FEW INDIVIDUALS IS OVEREMPHASIZED AT THE EXPENSE OF A GREAT NUMBER WHO ARE BARELY MENTIONED, IF AT ALL.

FOR EXAMPLE, APPEAR TO BE GIVEN MORE CREDIT FOR ORIGINAL THINKING AND RECOMMENDATIONS THAN WAS TRULY THE CASE, WHILE PERSONNEL DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH THE TRAINING ASPECTS SEEM TO BE OVERLOOKED. THIS IS CORRECTED SOMEWHAT ON PAGES 162 - 163 BY EDITORIAL COMMENT AND EXPLANATION.

2. A FEW MARGINAL NOTES ARE INSERTED WHERE THERE IS A QUESTION AS TO ACCURACY OR MEANING OF THE AUTHOR.

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